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Park Authority Hearing to Discuss Mount Vernon Properties Scheduled in September

The Fairfax County Park Authority is holding a public hearing to receive comment on the disposition of Park Authority land located in the Mount Vernon District. The public hearing will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, September 26, 2007 in Rooms 106/107 of the Herrity Building, at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA. Formerly part of the Lorton Correctional complex, the Vulcan quarry site consists of two parcels totaling 115 acres. The parcels, located at 10000 Ox Road in Lorton, VA, are currently leased and operated by Vulcan Materials Company.

The National Park Service transferred the Vulcan Quarry property to the Park Authority in April 2002 as part of its Federal Lands to Parks Program. As a condition of the transfer, the Park Authority is required to exchange the Vulcan quarry property for land that has equal or greater value and is more suitable for park and recreational use. The Park Authority has entered into an agreement to sell the property to Vulcan Materials Company and the proceeds of the sale will be used for the acquisition of a 140-acre tract of land in Mount Vernon District known as Old Colchester Park and Preserve, located at the mouth of the Occoquan River. This new park will go through the Park Authority's master planning process to identify cultural and natural resources for preservation and opportunities for passive recreation. Information about this proposal can be found online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/vulcan.htm.

Individuals or organizations interested in this proposal are invited to attend the public hearing to present their views. If you would like to speak at the public hearing or would like more information, please call Judy Pedersen, public information officer for the Park Authority at 703-324-8662 or e-mail her at parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov. For persons with hearing impairments, sign language interpreter services are available upon request. Please call 703-324-8563 or 703-324-3988 TTY at least ten days before the meeting.

Comments on the disposition of the Vulcan Quarry property will be received by the Park Authority for 30 days after the hearing. The public comment period will close on Friday, October 26, 2007. All comments must be received by this date in order to be included in the official public record. Written comments should be directed to David R. Bowden, director of Planning & Development Division, Fairfax County Park Authority, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 406, Fairfax, VA 22035. Email comments should be sent to: parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov.

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